



# WASHOE COUNTY

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## STAFF REPORT

**BOARD MEETING DATE: June 13, 2017**

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**DATE:** May 3, 2017  
**TO:** Board of County Commissioners  
**FROM:** Gabrielle Enfield, County Grants Administrator  
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**THROUGH:** Al Rogers, Management Services Director

**SUBJECT:** Approve a grant award for FY 2017-2018 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of [\$10,000]; and grant awards from FY2016-2017 funds for Artown in the amount of [\$25,000]; Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation in the amount of [\$10,000]; and Education Alliance of Washoe County in the amount of [\$9,213]; approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget appropriation transfers. (All Commission Districts.)

### SUMMARY

Washoe County provides grants to address special community needs. As with all grants provided by Washoe County these funds can only be provided to a private organization, not for profit, or to a governmental entity, for charitable or educational purposes, and must provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County. Grant awards for FY 2017-2018: Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) \$10,000; Artown \$25,000; Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation \$10,000; and Education Alliance of Washoe County \$9,213.

Board of County Commission Strategic Objectives and Outcomes supported by this item:

- Safe, Secure and Health Communities

### PREVIOUS ACTION

June 21, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners approve grant awards for FY 2016-2017 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of \$10,000; Artown in the amount of \$25,000; and Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation in the amount of \$10,000.

On August 25, 2015 the Board of County Commissioners approved a Grant Program Contract FY 2015-2016 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of \$10,000.

### BACKGROUND

Historically, Washoe County has made Community Support funds available to local community based providers to support services that address diverse health and human service needs in the community, or contribute to economic development and quality of life issues.

AGENDA ITEM # 5.H.1.

Below are a summary of the Community Support planned budget for FY18, and a summary of Silver State Fair Housing Council, Artown, Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation, and Education Alliance.

#### COMMUNITY SUPPORT FY2018:

##### Mandated Support:

- Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Compact \$36,000
- Silver State Fair Housing \$10,000

##### Economic Development:

- EDAWN \$41,300
- Tahoe Prosperity Center \$10,000
- Western Nevada Development District \$7,500

##### Event Sponsorship:

- 2017-2018 Events to be determined \$40,000

##### Community Special Projects:

- Washoe ArTrail \$30,000
- Partners In Education \$10,000

##### Strategic Planning:

- Washoe Leadership Program \$50,000
- Projects in support of FY18 Strategic Plan \$34,961

##### Grant Awards Funded with FY16-17 budgeted funds:

- Artown 2017 \$25,000
- Reno Tahoe Open 2017 \$10,000
- Education Alliance (Partners In Education) \$9,213

#### **Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC)**

SSFHC is a nonprofit that works to ensure equal housing opportunity for all residents of northern Nevada. Washoe County has provided funding to SSFHC, since 1998 to support a variety of services including development and dissemination of informational materials and education to increase community awareness of housing discrimination, Fair Housing Act protections, and fair housing rights and responsibilities.

As a recipient of federal grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washoe County is required to demonstrate efforts to further fair housing standards in our community. SSFHC seeks to increase community awareness of housing discrimination by providing community members with information to detect and report housing discrimination, and by educating housing providers about fair housing rights and responsibilities. Successful fair housing advocacy through community awareness provides a substantial benefit to residents of Washoe County by ensuring that equal housing opportunity is available to all residents.

### **Artown**

Artown is a nonprofit that works to encourage local artist participation and highlight the best performers in northern Nevada. Additionally, they exist to market and promote these arts events locally, regionally, and nationally as a premier arts festival. Artown, a month-long summer arts festival, features about 500 events produced by more than 100 organizations and businesses in nearly 100 locations.

### **Reno Tahoe Open Foundation**

The Reno Tahoe Open Foundation is a nonprofit that works to conduct a PGA TOUR sanctioned professional golf tournament that will:

1. Contribute positively to the quality of life in our community
2. Provide growing annual financial contributions to charity
3. Promote volunteerism, and
4. Provide a positive economic impact to the community.

Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation has a significant economic impact for the Reno/Tahoe region and highlights this stunning region as a world class golf destination through national and international media coverage.

### **Education Alliance of Washoe County**

The Education Alliance is a 501(c)3 nonprofit entity, fostering educational excellence and student achievement in Washoe County through leadership, advocacy, and resource development. These efforts are directed at initiatives that bring education and businesses/community organizations together. The Partners in Education Program of the Education Alliance provides opportunities for relationship-building between schools and community, focusing on using community resources to strengthen academics. The grant award will support the development of a Partner In Education membership and recognition for the principals, schools, and their community partners who are making significant contributions to strengthen education through collaborations and relationships.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for the SSFHC award have been included in the Community Support Program within the Management Services Division's FY2017-18 approved budget under cost center 181100. Should the Board approve these grant funds, budget appropriation transfers are needed as follows:

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount Increase/ (Decrease)</b>
181100 – 710400	Pymts to Other Agencies	(10,000)
60044 – 710400	Pymts to Other Agencies	10,000

Funds for Artown and the Reno Tahoe Open Foundation awards have been included in the Community Support Program within the Management Services Division's FY2016-17 approved budget under cost center 183110. Should the Board approve these grant funds, distribution of funds are needed as follows:

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
183110 – 710400	Payment to Artown	25,000
183110 – 710400	Payment to Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation	10,000
183110 – 710400	Payment to Education Alliance of Washoe County	9,213

**RECOMMENDATION**

Recommendation to approve a grant award for FY 2017-2018 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of \$10,000; and grants awards from FY2016-2017 funds for Artown in the amount of \$25,000; Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation in the amount of \$10,000; and Education Alliance of Washoe County in the amount of \$9,213; approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget appropriation transfers.

**POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board accept staff's recommendation a possible motion would be: move to *“Approve a grant award for FY 2017-2018 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of \$10,000; and grants awards from FY2016-2017 funds for Artown in the amount of \$25,000; Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation in the amount of \$10,000; and Education Alliance of Washoe County in the amount of \$9,213; approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget appropriation transfers.”*

**RESOLUTION** – Authorizing the Grant of Public Money to a Nonprofit  
Organization Created for Religious, Charitable or Educational  
Purposes

WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a Board of County Commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County and that a board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$10,000 in funding is needed to assist in providing services to encourage fair housing standards; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to Silver State Fair Housing Council, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2016-2017 in the amount of \$10,000 (Community Support).
2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants of the County by providing informational materials and education to increase community awareness of housing discrimination, Fair Housing Act protections, and fair housing rights and responsibilities.
3. The maximum amount to be expended is \$10,000.

Adopted this 13th day of June, 2017

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Bob Lucey, Chairman  
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:

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County Clerk

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WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$25,000 in funding is needed to assist in providing services to support a month-long summer arts festival, and encourage local artist participation in the festival; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to Artown, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, Artown 2017 in the amount of \$25,000 (Community Support).
2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants of the County by providing a month-long summer arts festival, featuring about 500 in nearly 100 locations.
3. The conditions and limitations upon the grant are as follows:
  - a) Event must be held for the purpose of improving public awareness, education and/or support for a specific community issue, topic, or concern. Including, but not limited to topics related to community, economic diversification, culture, the arts, the environment, and health and human service issues.
  - b) Event must be open to public participation without limiting participation to a specific target population.
  - c) Event must be annual or one-time events not on-going activities.
  - d) Events for which the primary purpose is to raise funds to support programs or operation of the non-profit are not allowable.
  - e) Any organization participating in partisan activity in the judgement of County Staff or the Commission, is not allowable.

Adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017.

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Washoe County Commission

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WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$10,000 in funding is needed to assist in providing services to support the Reno Tahoe Open a PGA Tour sanctioned professional golf tournament; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to the Reno Tahoe Open Foundation, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for the 2017 event in the amount of \$10,000 (Community Support).
2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants of the County by providing a significant economic impact for the Reno/Tahoe region and contributing positively to the quality of life in our community.
3. The conditions and limitations upon the grant are as follows:
  - a) Event must be held for the purpose of improving public awareness, education and/or support for a specific community issue, topic, or concern. Including, but not limited to topics related to community, economic diversification, culture, the arts, the environment, and health and human service issues.
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WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$9,213 in funding is needed to assist in support for the Partners in Education Program that provides opportunities for relationship-building between schools and community, focusing on using community resources to strengthen academics; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to the Education Alliance of Washoe County, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant award in the amount of \$9,213 (Community Support).
2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants of the County by providing support for the development of a Partner in Education membership and recognition initiative for the principals, schools, and their community partners who are making significant contributions to strengthen education through collaborations and relationships.
3. The maximum amount to be expended is \$9,213.

Adopted this 13 Day of June 2017.

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Bob Lucey, Chair  
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:

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